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SUBJECT: AID CONTRACT NO. AID/OTR-C-1323. THE RELATION-
SHIP BETWEEN TRADE STRATEGIES AND ECONOMIC GROWTH

REF: BRASILIA 1734, MARCH 7, 1975

1. FOR: BRASILIA, SAN JOSE, MEXICO, PANAMA, MONTEVIDEO,
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GUATEMALA, MANAGUA, QUITO. DEPARTMENT OF STATE RESEARCH

COUNCIL (DSRC) HAS TENTATIVELY CLEARED WITH RESPECT TO POSSIBLE FOREIGN POLICY SENSITIVITY COUNTRY STUDIES ON BRAZIL, COSTA RICA, MEXICO, PANAMA, URUGUAY, GUATEMALA, NICARAGUA AND ECUADOR. PROPOSED RESEARCH WOULD BE CARRIED OUT UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE NATIONAL BUREAU OF ECONOMIC RESEARCH (NBER). RESEARCH WOULD CONSIST OF AN EXTENSIVE CROSS-COUNTRY STUDY OF THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN TRADE STRATEGIES AND EMPLOYMENT GROWTH IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. RESEARCHERS FROM COUNTRIES SELECTED WOULD UNDERTAKE PLANNED COUNTRY STUDIES UNDER THE OVERALL DIRECTION OF THE PROJECT MANAGER, DR. ANNE O. KRUEGER, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA, AND WOULD NOT REQUIRE ANY INPUT FROM MISSIONS OR EMBASSIES. NBER CONTACT IN EACH COUNTRY WOULD BE WITH THE LOCAL RESEARCHER AND HIS RESPECTIVE ACADEMIC OR RESEARCH INSTITUTION. LOCAL RESEARCH ACTIVITY SUCH AS PRIMARY DATA COLLECTION WOULD BE MANAGED BY THE LOCAL RESEARCHER WHO MIGHT WORK INDEPENDENTLY OR IN AFFILIATION WITH A LOCAL ACADEMIC OR RESEARCH INSTITUTION.

2. PLEASE ADVISE BY APRIL 9 IF OBJECTIONS PERCEIVED.
NEGATIVE REPLIES NOT NECESSARY.

3. FOR: BOGOTA. IN VIEW OF CURRENT TEXTILE NEGOTIATIONS WITH GOC, DEPARTMENT HAS DEFERRED FINAL DECISION ON PROPOSED COLOMBIA COUNTRY STUDY PENDING RECEIPT OF EMBASSY'S VIEWS WITH RESPECT TO POSSIBLE POLITICAL SENSITIVITY OF THIS RESEARCH. AID/PPC, SPONSOR OF PROJECT, HAS INFORMED DEPARTMENT THAT SHOULD COUNTRY STUDY ON COLOMBIA BE APPROVED, ACTUAL INVESTIGATION WOULD NOT GET UNDER WAY UNTIL EARLY NEXT YEAR. DURING INTERIM, LOCAL RESEARCHER WOULD BE SELECTED, AND RESEARCH METHODOLOGY WORKED OUT. COPY OF NBER PROJECT OUTLINE BEING SENT UNDER SEPARATE COVER. DR. KRUEGER PLANS TO BE IN BOGOTA APRIL 23 THROUGH APRIL 27 FOR CONFERENCE IN CONNECTION WITH DIFFERENT NBER CONTRACT, AND COULD MEET WITH EMBASSY OFFICERS AT THAT TIME IF MORE INFORMATION NEEDED. HOWEVER, EARLIER EMBASSY DECISION WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF POSSIBLE. INGERSOLL

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